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For:

STABILIZED FLUORINE-CONTAINING POLYMER
AND METHOD FOR STABILIZING FLUORINE-
CONTAINING POLYMER

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RESPONSE TO UNITY OF INVENTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

April 5, 2002

Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated March 5, 2002,
the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with
the above-identified application.

In the Claims:

Please replace the claims with the following rewritten claims.

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10. The method according to claim 7 or 8, wherein the fluorine-
containing copolymer is stabilized in a wet state after said
copolymer is washed with water until pH of the wash liquor becomes
4 or less.
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